CITY OF ROCKVILLE - DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION & PARKS

WOOTTONS MILL GARDEN PLOT PROGRAM 2013 RULES & REGULATIONS

PROGRAM RUNS APRIL 6, 2013 - NOVEMBER 9, 2013

- ✓ Once you are registered for a plot, you are responsible for maintaining the weeds, regardless of when you plant crops. Be vigilant in keeping weeds pulled from the start, as it will make it easier to maintain throughout the entire garden season. Plots that are not tended may be revoked at any time without refund.
- ✓ Plots should be worked by Memorial Day weekend. Those plots not worked-weeded and planted by Memorial weekend may be forfeited.
- ✓ Once your registration payment has been processed there will be no refunds issued.
- ✓ If you are a Rockville resident and you give up your plot mid-season, you will not receive a renewal notice for the next garden season. You must follow the procedure to obtain a plot just as if you were a new registrar.
- ✓ All supplies must be hand-carried or wheeled to your plot area. Driving into the garden plot area is not allowed. Please report any tag numbers of vehicles in violation to the Rockville City Police Dispatch at 240-314-8900.
- ✓ Use of chemicals and/or weed killers are permitted, but caution is required regarding neighboring plots. Do not kill neighboring plants. Be mindful of your fencing and growing items on or near your fencing that may intrude on a neighboring plot or block the sun from a neighboring plot.
- ✓ You must bring your own hose. There are a total of six water spigots throughout the gardening area. A double spigot connector is useful, as well. When you are finished in the garden area, do NOT leave your hose connected to the water source and do NOT leave the hose strung along the pathways. This creates a safety hazard for other gardeners. The best practice has been to bury the hoses or get together with other gardeners to extend the buried hose to further out plots and share a hose. The City reserves the right to remove hoses from the pathways.
- ✓ You must be present when watering your garden. Sprinkler systems and automatic watering may not be utilized in this garden program. No overnight watering.
- ✓ The City of Rockville provides barrels for garden refuse. Do not put heavy clumps of dirt or rocks in these barrels. The barrels are emptied on a regular basis; however, there may be times when excess garden refuse accumulates due to the various growing conditions. Feel free to use your own brown bags to recycle and remove the debris from the premises if the barrels are full. Help keep the area clean.
- ✓ Do not park in front of the dumpster in the parking lot. The area needs to remain accessible in order to remove the trash. Do not put rocks, dirt or other heavy items in the dumpster.
- ✓ At the end of the season all plastic, fencing, hoses, and other gardening items must be cleared from your plot area. Be prepared to remove these items beginning October 2013. The deadline to clear your plot is November 9, 2013.
- ✓ The City of Rockville is not responsible for any loss of or damage to gardening materials used or left on the premises including, but not limited to hoses, nozzles, tools, fencing, and plants.

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